


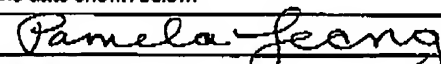
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the November 14, 2005 Restriction Requirement, the Examiner is requiring an election between the following groups of claims:

- I. Claims 1-7, drawn to a method for preparing a nucleic acid sample for hybridization; claims 16-24, drawn to method for preparing cRNA for hybridization to an oligonucleotide probe array; and claims 25-33 drawn to a method of labeling an RNA sample.
- II. Claims 8-15, drawn to a method for detecting hybridization of a nucleic acid sample to a nucleic acid arrays; and claims 34-42, drawn to a method for detecting the presence of an RNA sample.

Applicants elect the invention of Group I (claims 1-7, 16-24 and 25-33) without traverse. Applicant reserves the right to re-present non-elected claims in a divisional, or other related application.

As Applicants' representative and the Examiner discussed, there is no need to elect a species in this application.

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